NOTES ON THE GENUS TEMESA, H. & A. Ad., WITH DESCRIPTIONS OF TWO NEW LAND-SHELLS (TEMESA AND CLAUSILIA) FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

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In April, 1855, Messrs. H. & A. Adams proposed the subgenus Temesa for Balea australis, Forbes, B. elausilioides, Rve., B. Funcki, Pfr., B. glorifica, Parr., and B. livida, Menke. These species formed Pfeiffer's section 2 of Balea in 1853. In 1859 Pfeiffer adopted the name as a section of Balea for the first three species, which he placed in reverse order, and he excluded, or rather omitted, the last two, which belong to Alopia.

In 1866 Semper treated the group as a genus, admitting the same three species. The previous paper by Bourguignat, as will be seen from Semper's criticisms, did not in any way assist in clearing up the difficulty as to what species should be regarded as the type. Pfeiffer, in various subsequent notes, expressed doubts whether these three

forms really belonged to one genus.

In June, 1892, Mr. Hedley be pointed out that Balea australis, Forbes, was identical with Caliaxis exigua, Ad. & Ang. (1867), and removed the species to Perrieria, Tap.-Canefri (1878). It may be noted that Sphalerostoma, Girard (1894), appears to be a synonym of Caliaxis. Fischer, having in 1883 mentioned Balea clausilioides as an example of Temesa, which he treated as a subgenus, Mr. Pilsbry, in March, 1896, went a step further, and definitely fixed B. clausilioides as the type of the genus Temesa, which he placed with the Peruvian Bulimuli. In a little paper at the time lexpressed my doubts as to the wisdom of this course, and also put forward the suggestion, to which I still adhere, that Balea australis did not really belong to Perrieria. Further consideration has led me to the view that it is wiser to accept what has actually been done than to consider what should have been done, and I adopt Bulimus clausilioides, Reeve, as the type of Temesa.

In 1900 Dr. Jousseaume of proposed the genus Exbalea for a shell which he identified with, and figured as, Balea Peruviana, Philippi. 10

¹ Gen. Rec. Moll., vol. ii, p. 175.

Mon. Helic. Viv., vol. iii, p. 584.
 Op. cit., vol. iv, p. 714.

⁴ Journ de Conch., tom. xiv, p. 42. ⁵ Proc. Linn. Soc. New S. Wales, ser. 11, vol. vii, pp. 311-313.

⁶ Man. Conchyl., p. 483.

Man. Conch., ser. 11, vol. x, p. 134.
 Journ. Malac., vol. v, p. 59.

Bull, Soc. Philom., ser. 1x, tom. ii, p. 34.
 Malak, Blatt., Bd. xiv (1867), p. 78.

This led me to an examination of the specific relationships of Temesa clausilioides, Reeve, and Philippi's species. After careful examination of Philippi's diagnosis and Reeve's types, I think they are slightly varying forms of the same shell. Both come from the mountains of Peru, though from different districts. The synonymy, therefore, would be as follows:—

TEMESA CLAUSILIOIDES (Rvc.).

Bulimus clausilioides, Reeve: Proc. Zool. Soc., 1849, p. 96; Conch. Icon., Bulimus (1849), sp. 523.

Balea clausilioides, Reeve: Küster, Conch.-Cab., Papa, p. 145, pl. xvii, figs. 34-37.

Temesa clausitioides, Reeve: Pilsbry, Man. Conch., ser. 11, vol. x, pp. 135, 200, pl. xlv, fig. 4.

Balea Peruriana, Philippi: Malak. Blätt., Bd. xiv (1867), p. 78. [Not Clausilia Peruana, Troschel.]

Exbalea Perusiana, Philippi: Jousseaume, Bull. Soc. Philom., ser. 1x, tom. ii (1900), p. 34, pl. i, figs. 13, 14.

Hab.—Andes of Caxamarca [or Cajamarca], Peru; Yanaoca, province of Cuzco, Peru.

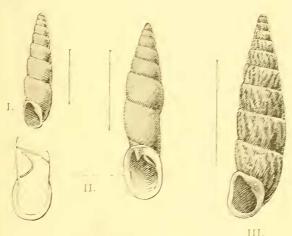


Fig. I.— Temera c'an lu der Rre..., II.— Canartra Prisbryi, n. sp. , III.— Temera magnifica, n. sp.

Mr. Pil-bry expressed a doubt as to whether Ku-ter's figures really represented Reave's shell: bearing in mind that the latter referred to Cuming's collection, where the type now is, I think they do, but as none of the figures to my mind quite represent the species, it is here figured anew (Fig. I).

The shell now described appears also to belong to the genus Temesa.

1. Temesa magnifica, n.sp. (Fig. III.)

Testa sinistrorsa, breviter rimata, fusiformi-turrita, solida, conferte costulato - striata, fusco - brunnea, maculis flavidis tessellata, apice obtuso; anfractus 10, plano-convexi, sutura bene impressa, ultimus paulo angustior, solutus, basi rotundatus; apertura quadrato-ovata, intus castanea, columella contorta, plicata, rapide ascendens, peristomate incrassato, subreflexo, castaneo. Alt. 28.7, diam. max. 7 mm.; alt. apert. 6.8, lat. apert. 5 mm.

Hab.—Sorato, Bolivia, at 3,600 m. Type in the British Museum.

This handsome shell might at first sight be taken for a *Clausilia*, which it greatly resembles in form, but on examination I am unable to find any internal plice or lamellæ, nor can I trace a clausilium.

2. CLAUSILIA PILSBRYI, n.sp. (Fig. II.)

Testa non-rimata, sinistrorsa, elongato-fusiformis, solidiuscula, oblique dense capillaceo - striata, pallide cornea, apice acutulo; anfractus 8, primi convexiusculi, sutura bene notata, ultimus compressus, planatus, protractus, solutus; apertura elongato - ovalis, magna, peristomate reflexo, albido; lamella superior verticalis, magna, marginalis, l. interior oblique, rapide, ascendens, l. subcolumellaris nulla, plica principalis mediocris, lunella arcuata. Alt. 21, diam. max. 4·5 mm.; alt. apert. 6·2, lat. apert. 4·5 mm.

Hab.—Callanga, Peru.
Type in my collection.

My specimens of this shell, purchased two or three years ago from a German dealer, are specially noteworthy for the large size of the mouth, which is of an elongate-oval form. The species belongs to the group of *C. Adamsiana*, Pfr.